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FOR: HERBERT FROM TAFT

1. PLEASE ACCEPT MY SINCEREST CONGRATULATIONS AND THANKS
FOR THE SUCCESSFUL ACHIEVEMENT OF EMBARKING THE 1546
VIETNAMESE REPATRIATES ON THE THUONG TIN ONE ON OCTOBER
16. I KNOW THIS WAS A TEAM EFFORT WHICH WAS SUPPORTED,
ON THE CIVILIAN SIDE, BY YOUR ENTIRE STAFF. WOULD YOU
PLEASE PASS ON TO ALL OF THEM MY PERSONAL THANKS FOR A JOB
DECIDEDLY WELL DONE AND FOR THE DEVOTION THEY DISPLAYED
DURING THE LONG AND ARDUOUS HOURS THEY SPENT THIS PAST WEEK
PREPARING FOR THE DEPARTURE. THE TASK FORCE IS PROUD OF
THE WAY YOU AND YOUR ENTIRE STAFF HANDLED THIS SENSITIVE
AND DIFFICULT OPERATION WHICH, WE TRUST, HAS SOLVED ONE OF
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THE MOST NETTLESOME PROBLEMS FACED BY THE TASK FORCE SINCE

ITS ESTABLISHMENT LAST APRIL. I REGRET THAT I WAS UNABLE TO BE PRESENT FOR THE DEPARTURE, WHICH WOULD HAVE PROVIDED THE OPPORTUNITY TO THANK YOU ALL IN PERSON.

2. THANK YOU ALSO FOR THE SUGGESTION IN REFTEL REGARDING A LETTER OF APPRECIATION FOR THE SPLENDID MILITARY SUPPORT YOU AND WE ENJOYED IN THIS OPERATION. I AM INITIATING ACTION TOWARD THAT END TODAY. IN THE MEANTIME, PLEASE EXPRESS MY PERSONAL APPRECIATION AND ADMIRATION TO ADMIRAL CARROLL FOR THE MAGNIFICENT PERFORMANCE OF THE NAVY AND MARINE CORPS, MILITARY AND CIVILIAN PERSONNEL IN GETTING THE SHIP READY, TRAINING THE CREW, AND IN ALL OTHER WAYS LAUNCHING THE REPATRIATES ON THEIR HISTORIC VOYAGE WITH THE BEST MATERIEL SUPPORT THAT COULD BE PROVIDED. INGERSOLL

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